

Attachment #1



MEETING MINUTES

IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

February 5, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Location: Department of Social Services
2999 S. 4th Street, El Centro, CA 92243

| Name | Executive Board | Present |
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| Les Smith, General Manager, Desert Trails RV & Golf Resort | Chair | X |
| Victor Estrada, Director of Worship & Local Missions, Gateway Church | Vice Chair | Excused |
| Rosie Blankenship, Director, Imperial County, Public Administrator/AAA | Secretary | X |
| Dr. Kathleen Lang, California Health & Wellness | Treasurer | X |
| Andrea Kuhlen, Director, Imperial County Behavioral Health Services | Board Member | X |
| <i>Vacant</i> | Board Member | |
| Brian Johnson, Chief, El Centro Police Department | Board Member | Excused |
| Ernie Mariscal, Veterans Community Representative | Board Member | Excused |
| <i>Vacant</i> | Board Member | |
| Robert M. Brown, Chief of Human Resources, Pioneers Memorial Hospital | Board Member | X |
| Javier Moreno, Community Member | Board Member | X |
| Veronica E. Rodriguez, Director, Imperial County Department of Social Services | Admin Entity Lead | X |
| Paula Llanas, Assistant Director, Imperial County Department of Social Services | Admin Entity Lead | Excused |

Guests: Rosyo Ramirez, Program Manager, Imperial County Department of Social Services, Esperanza Colio-Deputy County Executive Officer, County of Imperial, Isaen Equihua, Imperial County Department of Social Services, Melissa Gonzalez, Imperial County Public Health Department, Bill Hodge, Mayor, City of Calexico, Anna Garcia, City of El Centro, James Thompson, City of El Centro.

- I. **Call to Order:** Chairman Les Smith called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.
- II. **Roll Call:** Victor Estrada, Brian Johnson, Ernie Mariscal, and Paula Llanas were absent. Board member Robert Brown arrived at 1:13 p.m.
- III. **Approval of Agenda:** Board member Dr. Kathleen Lang motioned to approve the agenda with no revisions. Javier Moreno seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes:** Three corrections were suggested to the January 10, 2020 meeting minutes. Dr. Kathleen Lang motioned to approve the minutes with the suggested corrections. Javier Moreno seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- V. **Public Comment:** No public comment.

VI. **Discussion/Action Calendar**

- A. **Discussion/Action of letter of support for CRP Affordable Housing Project in City of El Centro:** The board approved providing a letter of support for the CRP Affordable Housing Project in El Centro.
- B. **Discussion/Action of the two (2) recent board member vacancies. (attachment #3):** The board was informed of the exception that can be made to fill vacant seats. The Executive Board may appoint a new member if there is time left to serve on the term. Both Maria Nava-Froelich and Bret Houser have one term left to serve. A nominating committee was created.

Nominating Committee Members:

Les Smith, Dr. Kathleen Lang, Rosie Blankenship, and Javier Moreno.

C. Administrative Entity Updates

1. **2018 California Emergency Solutions and Housing (CESH):** Administrative entity is in the process of finalizing contracts and still working on requirements with contractors. Clarification was requested from the state on the forty percent activity limitation on emergency activities. Administrative Entity also assisting contractors with adjusting funds to fit activities and target populations.
2. **2019 California Emergency Solutions and Housing (CESH):** Request for Proposals will be out once 2018 CESH contracts are finalized .
3. **2019 Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP):** Contracts will be going out for review.
4. **Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP):** The Administrative Entity presented yesterday to the Imperial County Board of Supervisors. The redirection of funds from Imperial County to the Continuum of Care Council was approved. The deadline to apply is February 15, 2020. An intent to apply has been submitted online. Rosyo Ramirez brought up housing options, target populations, areas. An agenda item will be created for discussion at the next IVCCC meeting.
5. **Point in Time Count (PIT):** Isaen Equihua updated the board on the PIT event that took place January 24-25, 2020. The PIT Committee reports less volunteers but a smoother process. Volunteers collected a total of three hundred forty-eight (348) full surveys and three hundred seventy-two (372) interviews. Five hundred backpacks were donated by California Health and Wellness. Toiletries and \$1,200.00 were donated by various agencies. Slab City count involved law enforcement presence of eight sheriffs and nine fire cadets. A total of ninety-nine volunteers were trained. Seventy-eight volunteers participated Friday, January 24, 2020. Fifty-four volunteers attended the Slab City count. No issues were reported with app.
6. **Homeless Plan:** A Homeless Plan forum will be held in Calexico and North end Imperial County. Calexico forum will take place at the Library. North end location is tentative. Forums will be held in the next two weeks. Rosyo Ramirez will send out flyer to members for them to share with others.
7. **Budget:** Veronica Rodriguez voiced that the budget process is ongoing and will be presented to the board when completed.

VII. Board Member Announcements: No announcements.

VIII. Meeting Adjournment

Wes Smith adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

Next meeting Wednesday March 4, 2020 1-3 p.m.